

REMARKS

The Office Action dated August 5, 2005 has been received and carefully noted. The above amendments to the drawings, claims, and the following remarks, are submitted as a full and complete response to the Office Action.

The drawings are amended to add the legend "Prior Art." Claims 1 and 3-6 are cancelled without prejudice. Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication that claim 2 would be allowable if rewritten into independent form. Accordingly, claim 2 is amended into independent form including cancelled base claim 1. Accordingly, claim 2 is allowable. The Office Action objected to the drawings. Specifically, the Office Action required that Figures 3 and 4 be labeled "Prior Art". Accordingly, the attached replacement sheets including Figures 3 and 4 are amended to include the legend "Prior Art." Withdrawal of the objection to the drawings is respectfully requested.

The Office Action rejected claims 1 and 3-6 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by US Patent No. 5,985,145 to McEwen (McEwen). Applicants respectfully submit that this rejection is moot in light of the cancellation of the above claims.

The Office Action objected to claim 2 as being dependent from a rejected base claim. Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication that claim 2 would be allowable if rewritten into independent form. Accordingly, claim 2 is amended into independent form including the subject matter of cancelled base claim 1. Thus, claim 2 is allowable. Withdrawal of the objection to claim 2 is respectfully requested. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that claim 2 be allowed and this application be passed to issue.

If for any reason the Examiner determines that the application is not now in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact, by telephone, the applicants' undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this application.

In the event this paper is not being timely filed, the applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension together with any additional fees may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account 50-2222.

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Enclosures: Petition for Extension of Time
Replacement Drawing Sheets (Figs. 3-4)
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IN THE DRAWINGS:

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figs. 3 and 4. The attached sheets, including Figs. 3 and 4, replace the original sheets including Figs. 3 and 4.